



Ravensworth Terrace Primary School

@ The School Gate

RTPS Weekly e-News **Week 2**

11.9.2026

Learning Together



The children have had another great week here at Ravensworth Terrace Primary School and have settled really well into their new classrooms with their new teachers. They have quickly got into some great work routines and again we had the opportunity to celebrate some individual successes due hard work and positive work in our Celebration Assembly this morning. I'm sure this edition of @ The School Gate will give you an insight into some of the different activities children have been enjoying.

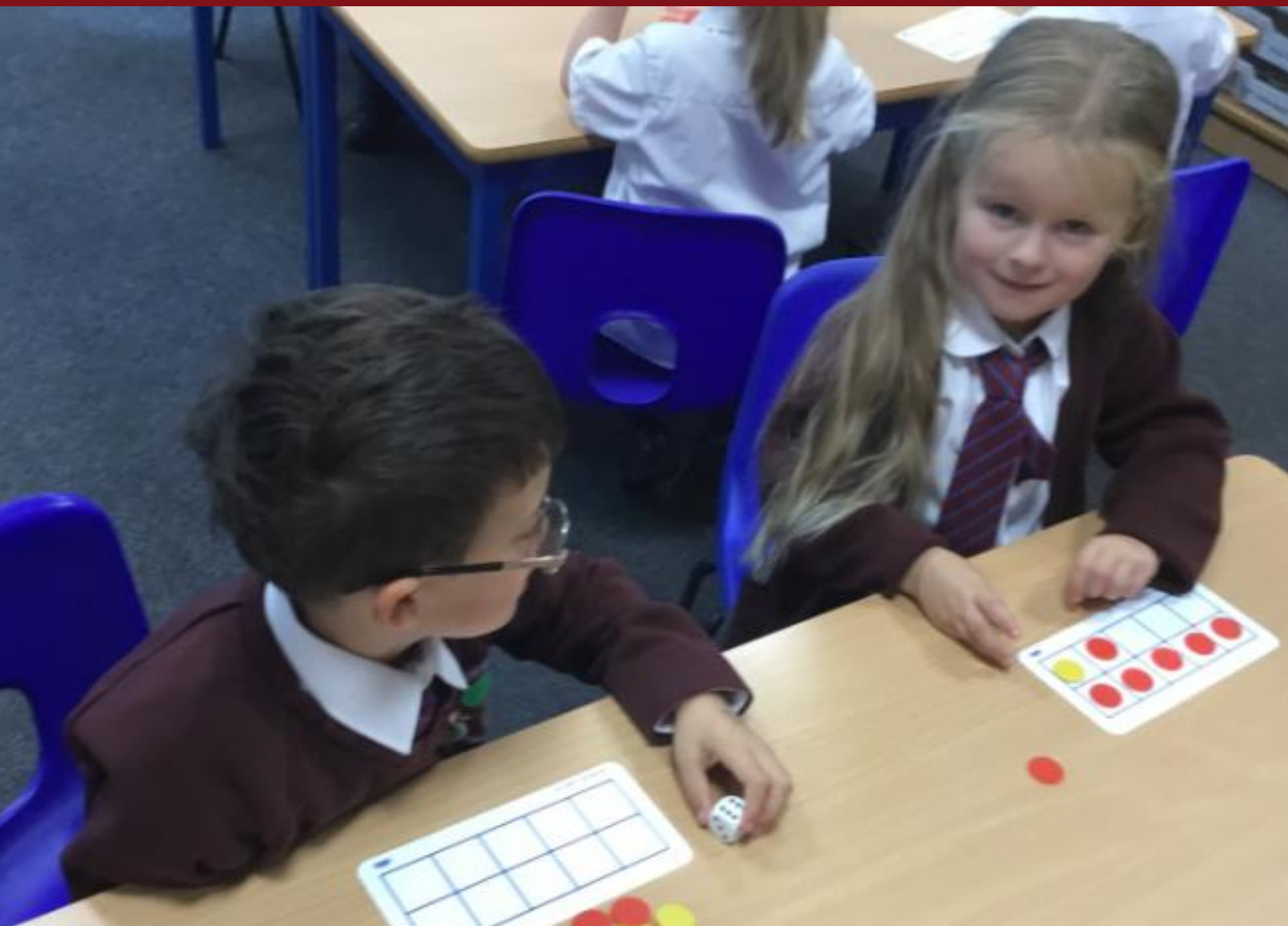
Reception

We have started our Foundations for Phonics with Little Wandle. We sang the nursery rhyme Baa, Baa Black Sheep. We listened and identified different sounds, clapped syllables in some of the key words, found the rhyming words, said it silly, played with alliteration, spotted the sound that was the odd one out and sang it fast, slow, loud and quiet. Our provision has focused on developing our foundational skills, linked to our Rhyme Time. We have been painting, mark-making, cutting and sharing stories.



Year 1

In maths this week, Year 1 have been working on their understanding of place value. They have worked in pairs to practise counting forwards and backwards from any number, have built numbers using ten frames, been introduced to the 'Rekenrek' as a counting tool and have been finding one more and one less than a given number. We have been so impressed with their fantastic attitudes to learning and we can't wait to see what they can achieve as the year progresses.



Year 2

Year 2 have enjoyed starting their new art topic, 'Still Life'. They took part in a gallery walk around the classroom and discussed the composition, themes, and use of colour in different artworks. They then sketched some of their favourite paintings.



Focus on Rules



It is important that we maintain high expectations and high standards which apply to all aspects of school life Including our 3 school rules.

Ready | **Respectful** | **Safe**

Being **Safe** means making choices that protect themselves and others.

- *They move around school sensibly and follow safety rules.*
- *They use equipment properly and think before they act.*
- *They speak up if something feels wrong or unsafe.*



Year 3 News

This week, Year 3 have been busy exploring Fauvism, taking inspiration from the bold, expressive style of a French group of artists called '*Les Fauves*'. We experimented with complementary colours and explored how contrasting colours can make artwork vibrant and eye-catching. We then began planning our final pieces, using bold shapes, striking colour combinations and expressive designs inspired by Matisse. We can't wait to see our ideas come to life!



Year 4

Year 4 have enjoyed starting their new Computing topic by learning about audiobooks and how they engage listeners. Using 2Cast, the children have begun experimenting with adding sound effects to existing audio clips, helping to bring stories to life.



Meet the staff

Hi everyone! I'm Ms. Magnay and I'm so pleased to be starting another exciting year at Ravensworth Terrace. I'm one of the Year 5 team and our school's computing lead and I've been lucky enough to be part of the Ravensworth family for over ten years. I've been teaching for almost 20 years and I can honestly say I still absolutely love my job. Every day is different - it's creative, lively and there's always something new and exciting happening! When I'm not at school, life is just as busy with my three children, Louie, Sonny and Daisy. We love being outdoors, going on little adventures and making the most of our weekends together. I'm also a big fan of watching local football, going to the theatre and, slightly less relaxing, studying at university! I feel very lucky to be part of such a wonderful school community and I'm looking forward to all the fun, laughter and memorable moments the year ahead will bring!



Year 5

This week in Art, Year 5 have been exploring light and shade. We began by creating a gradient strip, using white chalk and charcoal pencil on black paper and experimenting with pressure to gradually move from dark to light. Building on the shading techniques practised in our previous lesson, the children then applied these skills to observational drawings. They carefully considered where light would fall and used white charcoal pencils or chalk to add highlights, shadows and fine details. We were really impressed by how effectively they used different tones to create depth and form in their finished pieces!

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Use chalk and pencil to add light



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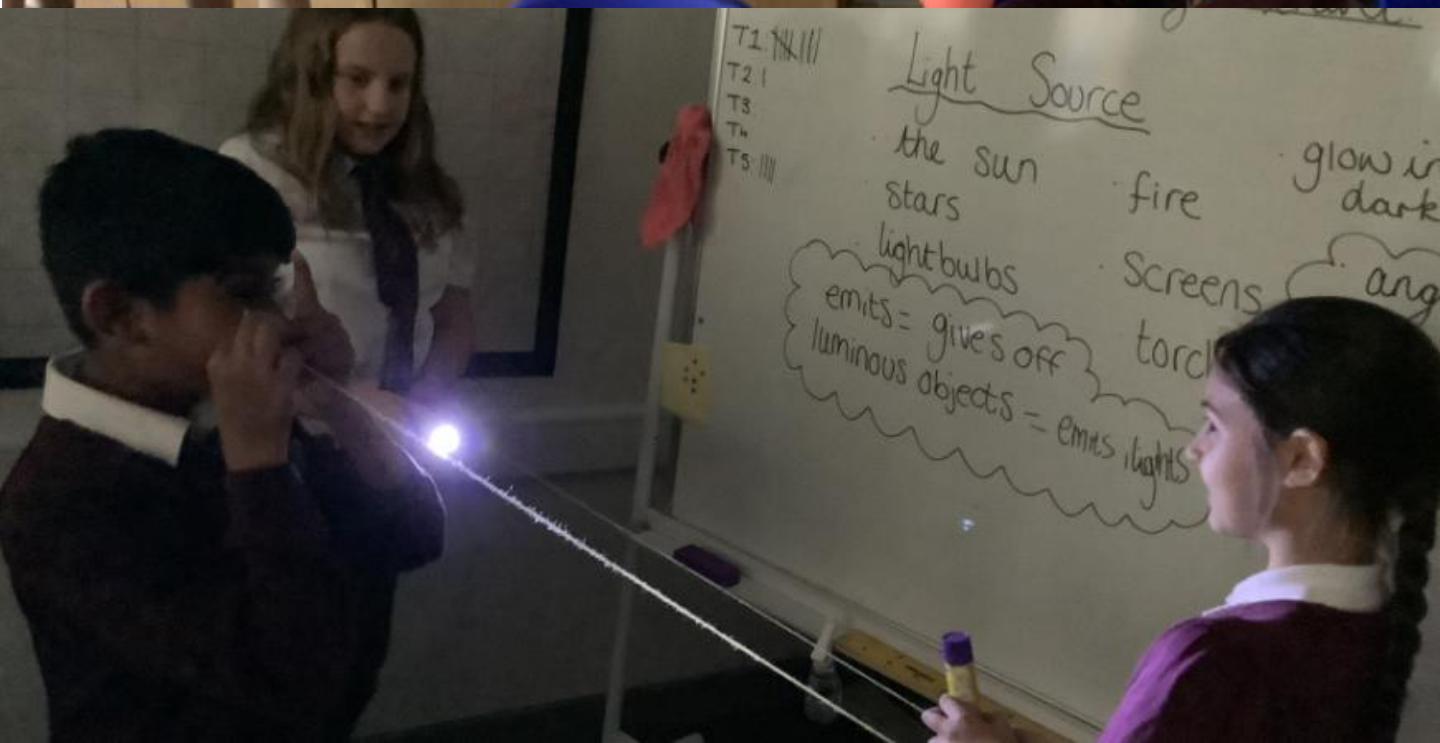
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Year 6

Year 6 have been exploring how light travels in Science. They have learned that light is made up of photons and travels in straight lines, as well as the difference between luminous and non-luminous objects. They also carried out an experiment to model how we see non-luminous objects, discovering that light reflects off an object and travels into our eyes, allowing us to see it.



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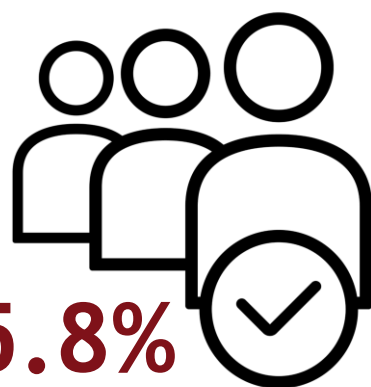
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Attendance



95.8%
Whole school

Rec A	Miss Dorner	99.5
Rec B	Miss Phazey	91.0
1A	Mrs Johnson	94.3
1B	Mrs Linsley	99.7
2A	Mrs Clelland & Mrs Kirk	99.3
2B	Mrs Mitchinson	98.6
3A	Mrs Shaw	94.2
3B	Ms Attwood	90.7
4A	Mrs Beard	98.7
4B	Miss Rooney	99.6
5A	Mrs Kane & Mrs Clewes	95.8
5B	Ms Magnay & Miss Shepherdson	92.6
6A	Mr Catton	96.1
6B	Miss Iredale	92.5

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Next it is Week 3



PE

Tue	Y1 & Y6
Wed	Y4 & Rec
Thu	Y3 & Y2
Fri	Y5



Y5 Swimming *every Tuesday*

Mon

Buzz Dance KS1 & Artventurers

Tue

JJ Football, Lego &
Forest School

Wed

Artventurers & Buzz Dance KS2

Thu

JJ Football & Forest School



Clubs



Click on Week 3 for next week's menu